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A Wise Disposition of Personal Prop-
erty—Life Characteristics of Her
Husband—Talented Lieuten-
ant Emmerich—His High
Place in Naval Circles
—Will Not Others
Follow the Ex-
ample?

'TIS said that a person is a benefactor to mankind who makes two blades of grass grow where one has grown before, and following this thought it must be conceded that where one has given the opportunity for another to have two ideas where one dwelt before, a public service has been performed, and the world is better by reason of the act. Mrs. Catherine C. Emmerich, who has just presented the University with a magnificent collection of books, is certainly a broad minded benefactor, and deserves to rank as one of Columbian's patron saints. Her gift is gratefully acknowledged.

One of the greatest needs of the institution is a good working library, in which students may find the volumes which are the veritable tools with which they are to carry on their investigations. The progressive professor finds it necessary to send his classes every day to consult the authoritative works in the literature of his subject. Such benefactions as the University has just received from Mrs. Emmerich are, therefore, most valuable in the work of the institution.

Mr. Frederick Emmerich, the husband of Mrs. Catherine C. Emmerich, was for more than thirty years engaged in literary work for the government. He was a man of scholarly attainments and literary instincts, who delighted to gather around him the works of "the dead but sceptered sovereigns that from their urns rule

our spirits." Thus he lived in constant touch and fellowship with the citizens of the great republic of scholars. The University now reaps the benefit of his studious habits. Mrs. Emmerich is one of the leading members of the First Baptist Church of this City. She has three children living: Mrs. George T. Kohlenberg, Mrs. Frank E. Altemus, and Miss Katie R. Emmerich. Another son, Lieut. Chas. F. Emmerich of the United States Navy, died in California last year. Lieut. Emmerich was executive officer of the steamer Hassler, which took a surveying party to Alaska during the season of 1893, and endeared himself

brance of the good-fellowship and many attentions shown them while he was the executive officer of the coast survey steamer Hassler."

Of all the forms which philanthropy takes to raise the level of mankind the best, it is held by many, is the placing at the disposal of the public the great standard book, of the world. It is an invitation to study and reflect. A thinking people as a rule make but a few failures in business or in the conduct of a government. And the people who have the opportunity to read becomes sooner or later a thinking people. While the University has a fair working library it



MRS. CATHERINE C. EMMERICH.

to every member of the ship's company. When the news of his death reached the city last year the officials of the survey determined to honor his memory by naming for him one of the peaks that had been discovered during the trip that he helped to make so pleasant. To note this fact the following letter was sent by Mr. J. F. Pratt, who was chief of the party, to Lieut. Emmerich's mother: "I enclose a photograph of 'Emmerich Mountain,' of the most conspicuous peaks on the west side of the head of Chilkat inlet, Alaska. This mountain is 6,940 feet high, and was so named by the members of the coast survey party engaged in that locality on the international boundary between Alaska and British America during the past season in honor of your son, in thankful remem-

could be made of greater service to the many students who frequent it if many more volumes could be placed at their disposal. Columbian friends who desire to help the institution will find a good field for philanthropy in the needs of the library.

Students of the University will be interested in examining the valuable collection which Mrs. Emmerich, has munificently bestowed upon the University.

Small.

"Somebody," she faltered, "may come between us."

His breast heaved.

"Whoever would do such a thing," he fiercely exclaimed, "would be contemptibly small."

And with that he moved even yet nearer to her.—*Detroit Tribune.*

Columbian Republicans, Attention!

[COMMUNICATED.]

A meeting is to be called some time next week by E. J. Henning, of the senior law class, for the purpose of organizing a local republican club, to be part of the organization called the American Republican College League. Mr. Henning is chairman of the fifth department, including the District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina. The sub-executive committee consists of Shirley E. Johnson, Harvard University, Frank F. Pratt, Chicago College of Law, Jas. J. Sheridan, Yale University, W. D. McWilliams, Kalamazoo College and E. J. Henning, Columbia Law School. The Advisory Board of the League consists of such well known leaders as Hon. Benj. Harrison, Hon. Wm. McKinley, jr., Hon. Chauncy M. Depew, Hon. Jas. S. Clarkson, Hon. T. B. Reed, Hon. S. Sloat Fassett, Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge, Hon. Russell A. Alger, Hon. Levi P. Morton, Hon. Robt. T. Lincoln, Hon. J. C. Burrows, Hon. Henry Clay Evans, Hon. Thomas Carter and Gen. E. A. McAlpin. The next annual convention of the League will be held in Chicago, April 3, 1896. The Auditorium Hotel will be convention headquarters, and a strong effort will be made to secure one fare on all railroads.

The League has been in existence several years, and the magnificent work performed is admitted by the party rulers. In many of the colleges small central committees are formed, and the work of sending speakers to the various meetings is performed independent of the county central committee. Mr. Henning was chairman of his committee at the University of Wisconsin, and under his orders the young spellbinders delivered 265 speeches during the last campaign. It is generally conceded that Mr. Henning will be elected president of the League at the Chicago convention. As the organization promises to play an important part in the coming presidential campaign this will mean high honor and glory for the law student. Incidentally it means considerable advertisement for Columbian University. Watch for the date of the meeting, it will be posted on the bulletin board, and then attend, bringing with you all the republicans you can.

A REPUBLICAN.

VERBAL WARRIORS

Will Meet in the Law School Arena

ON SATURDAY EVENING AND DISCUSS THE BLACK MAN'S RIGHT TO VOTE.

Fourth Debate of the Series—How They Will Speak—Three Able Judges—Biographies and Pictures of the Debaters.

THE fourth public debate of the law school debating society takes place Saturday, March 14. It will be remembered, these debates are for the purpose of choosing the contestants for the annual prize debate, which is held at the close of the session. Three have already been held, and have proven a most entertaining variation of the regular order of the society's Saturday evening meetings. The subject for the fourth and the speakers selected are an assurance that there will be no departure on this occasion from the good record heretofore made. The question to be discussed is one which in its day aroused a storm of controversy, and while it is now to some extent *res judicator*, it is still capable of providing a most interesting dispute, for "no question is settled until it is settled right." The question is, "Resolved, That at the time, the enfranchisement of the negro was for the best interest of the United States."

Messrs Frank C. Bliss, of Pennsylvania; Wm. L. English, of Illinois; and Allen A. Davis, of Tennessee; will uphold the affirmative; they will be opposed by Messrs Frank H. Moore, of Kansas; Benjamin Martin, of South Carolina; and Jesse P. Crawford of Kentucky, for the negative.

Frank Cory Bliss, was born on the banks of the picturesque Susque-



FRANK C. BLISS.

hana, in Pittston, Penn., in 1873; moved to Philadelphia in the Centennial year, and in the following spring to the village of Malvern, where his boy-hood days were passed.

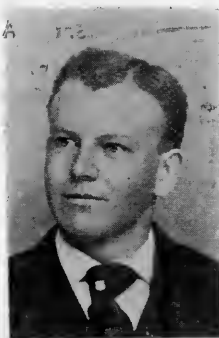
Received earlier education at private schools, and in 1891 came to Washington and entered the electrical business, being connected first with the General Electric Co., and afterwards, with the Bliss Engineering Co. He has also served his time with Uncle Sam, being electrician of the Census Office in 1892. Shortly after this time Mr. Bliss decided to take up the study of law, and for the purpose of getting more time for study, secured a position with the banking house of Silsby & Co., which place he still holds. He entered the law school in fall of '94, and is a member of the senior class. Mr. Bliss had the honor of designing a flag, which was unanimously adopted as the official banner of the Christain Endeavor convention, to be held in this city next summer. Mr. Bliss is a Republican and a bimetallist. He believes in the Websterian school of oratory, and in America against the world. He is a resourceful speaker, and relies on "stubborn facts" to support his arguments.

"Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." William L. English thinks he belongs to the latter class, by virtue of being put upon this debate. He is of Scotch-Irish descent, but can claim through many generations to be an American. The first of the family in America was an Irish Quaker, who settled in New Jersey in 1638. The great-great-grandfather of William threw his life and fortunes in with the colonists at the time of the little unpleasantness with England over tea and some other things, and was "thrown over the wall" by the friends for "entering war." This explains why William doesn't use the familiar "thee." The subject of this sketch is the son of the late Lieut. Wm. L. English, U. S. A., and was born at Jacksonville, Ill., in 1878, has resided in Washington for sixteen years, and was graduated from the Central High School in the class of '95. He is now a member of the junior class of Columbian Law School, and is also studying in the office of Butterworth & Dowell. He says he hopes the most important events of his life are yet to be written.

Mr. English is eloquent and forceful in delivery, and although one of the youngest members of the society, has taken a place in the front rank of debaters.

Jesse P. Crawford, hails from the "Pennyryle Deestrick," of Kentucky. His boyhood days were fraught with the same sad experiences that usually render a mischievous schoolboy's

life a burden. At the age of 17 years he began teaching, in the fall, and attending school in the spring, until completing his academic education at his own home. When 20 years of age he took charge of the business department of Blandville College, but resigned soon after and accepted a position under the Civil Service, in order to take a course in the law department of Columbian University, which he entered in 1893. During his junior year he took an active interest in class politics, and held a position on the class executive com-



JESSE P. CRAWFORD.

mittee. Having taken the degree of of L. L. B. with the class of '95, he is now a member of the post-graduate class; and at the beginning of the school year was unanimously elected vice-president of the Law School Debating Society. He is also well known in Christain Endeavor circles in this city. Mr Crawford is affable and cordial as a true son of old Kentucky should be. As a speaker he is suave but impressive in delivery and convincing in argument.

Frank H. Moore possesses two of the first requisites of greatness—he was born in Ohio and on a farm. Having first seen the light in 1872, in Mantua, which was also the



FRANK H. MOORE.

birthplace of his father and mother. His parents' home, however, was in Laurence, Kansas, and thither they soon returned with him. And, in Laurence, with the exception of some two or three years spent in Colorado, he spent his boyhood days, receiving his education in the public schools of Laurence, and afterwards entering the University of Kansas. He completed the course in that University in 1894, serving as one of the commencement day orators, and being

elected member of the honorary fraternity, of Phi Beta Kappa. In the fall of his graduation year, he came to Washington to act as private secretary to his father, at the time Congressman from Kansas, and at once entered the law school of Columbian University. He is a member of the senior class of the law school, and expects upon graduation to return to the west and practice his profession. Mr. Moore is a true product of the sturdy west; he is straightforward and earnest and always commands the attention of his hearers when he makes a speech.

Benjamin Martin, jr., is a southern boy, having been born in Allendale, S. C., in 1873, in which state his ancestors have lived for many generations. They have numbered among them prominent statesman, jurists and officers of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. He received the advantage of the schools in the neighborhood in which he lived, and afterwards attended the preparatory department of Wofford College. In January 1892 he came to Washington, and has since been engaged in the real estate business. He pursued his



BENJAMIN MARTIN, JR.

studies in unemployed hours, and in 1893 was graduated from the Spencian Business College, of this city. He is a member of the junior class and has entered with great earnestness upon the study of his chosen profession. Upon the organization of his class last fall, he was elected a member of the executive committee, and by the members of that committee chosen chairman. In politics he is a Democrat, in religion a believer in the doctrine of John Wesley. He has taken an active interest in the meetings of the debating society, and his friends expect him to give a good account of himself in this debate.

One On James.

Our friend, Mr. James, of the Medical School, is such a busy gentleman that he cannot always see his way clear to attend quizzes. He, however, managed to be present at a recent one of Dr. King's, and when that worthy gentleman received a response to the name of James, he was prompted to inquire if *Mr. James was really there*. Upon being assured of the fact, he said: "Mr. James accept my congratulations." And then the gay and festive senior class smiled a smile.

University News.

Academy.

There was no lecture last Friday and it is probable no more will be given for some time to come, it being Mr. Wilbur's opinion that the time is needed more for work.

There was a variation made in the schedule last week, quite a surprise at this late period. The changing and arrangements of these schedules, by the way, are quite a work of art. When there are five classes and six periods a day for five days, it is no little work, with the five professors, to arrange a program which shall be as free as possible from conflicts and allow the greatest amount and most judicious placing of the many lessons.

C. H. Holmead and M. E. Dow were among the absent last week as also Wallace Richie, who must needs amuse himself, by dropping a fifteen-pound dumb-bell on the fingers of his feet, to put it poetically. Those who have had experience in this line can understand what this means and why the gentleman had to rest at home a day or two.

The lack of enough men and boards prevented the C. A. Chess Club from holding any regular meeting during the week. Though three or four games were played on Friday. Some of these games will go on record as to the choosing of the players for the proposed tournament with the C. C. C. C. C. Sets will probably soon be purchased. Both Mr. Wilbur and Mr. Hodgkins are very fond of the game and with the interest of these gentlemen the club will certainly flourish.

The whole school was adjourned, at 1:05 P. M., on Wednesday, to hear Prof. Gardner Hubbard's Lecture on "Africa," a subject of interest, treated with thoroughness.

Chas. Cabrera has come back and is now ready to boom up the Track Athletic Association, subscriptions for which are called for, appealing through the channels of University loyalty and self-advantage. It is to be hoped a large number of tickets for Prof. Gore's benefit lecture, were sold.

Although the penmanship class only meets once a week, it is pleasant to note the great energy that Prof. Steele makes use of as well as his thorough explanation of all the science of proper handwriting. Such detail and work are probably the best obtained for several years.

Boxing has been lately taken up, and the bouts at recess, between all classes of boys, furnish no end of good, healthy amusement to the scholars.

Cabrera's stolen wheel is like ye olden-time, traditional cat—"yt neveerre kom backe."

It was suggested of complaining to the Board of Health about the condition of the marble men that adorn the main-room. Walter Honesty says he'll fix 'em up though. The fact is they are affected with a long-time accumulation of a very troublesome bacteria, known as dust.

Barnham is taking up the study of mice with interest.

That report of Prof. Sempers' lecture over here was a big mistake and we take it all back. We now offer it as a suggestion, though.

College News.

College students should notice the remarkable terms which the University has been enabled to secure from the C. A. C., and should avail themselves of them. Aside from the possibility of getting on the Athletic Team, the exercise thus afforded would be invaluable to those compelled to live such a sedentary life as college students.

Prof. Gore mailed the examination and term reports last Tuesday, and solemn and sorrowful was the expression upon many faces next morning when they were opened.

Mr. Playter has been on the verge of a serious attack of the grip for several days.

Mr. Donnally's father has been seriously ill, and he has been compelled to lose considerable time in consequence.

The C. C. C. C. C. learns from last week's CALL that the Academy has formed a chess club, and intends to challenge the college. Well! Well! How we little chickens do crow! Come right along, my dears! Report has it, however, that Mr. Lanza is a dangerous man with the chess-board.

Columbian is fortunate in possessing the only apparatus for X rays in the city of Washington, with the exception of those just purchased by a scientist of the Museum for his private use. Several experiments have been tried by the Senior Physics Class, one of which was a complete success. The Crooke's tubes were placed horizontally about eight inches above the sensitive plate, incased in its ordinary box and laid on a table.

The electricity was furnished by the old plate electric machine. After one or two unsuccessful attempts, a perfect negative was secured, the bones of the hand being as clearly taken as in any pictures made elsewhere, except those of Roentgen himself. It was found that the rays would not penetrate lead. Besides these experiments conducted by the senior class, Prof. Hodgkin himself intends to make further experiments with a view to the speech on the subject which he is to deliver before the Ministers' Conference on the 23rd inst. Among other things, Prof. Hodgkin expects to take several negatives of a bent or broken baseball finger which Mr. Carroll Fugitt is accustomed to carry around with him.

Dental Dots.

Dental students of the several classes, especially the first and second year men, are reminded that it is essential that they pay their class dues promptly, if they wish to receive their pro rata of invitations. The executive committee are about to send in their order for the invitations and all gentlemen should make it a point to call upon the class treasurer at once.

The Dental Infirmary presents a busy scene every afternoon, plenty of patients, an evidence of its popularity, and plenty of students to do the work in a skillful and satisfactory manner.

The Dental Infirmary at all times bright and inviting would be materially beautified by the addition of a cabinet or a roller top desk and a large mirror. Start a subscription and roll the matter along.

There is no student of the Junior Dental class who enjoys a wider popularity than Mr. E. H. Coumbe, whose dental services are always in demand, so much so in fact that it is rare that he has the opportunity of remaining through the lectures. This explains the interruption on last Monday evening, in the anatomy lecture, when the professor read a note for this popular student requesting his immediate presence to make a dental engagement with a lady patient for the following day.

Dr. Lewis surrendered his quizz hour on last Thursday evening to enable the several classes to hold their regular monthly meeting. A number of amendments to the constitution of minor importance were considered, and after some debate adopted.

Mr. James L. Whiteside has been the recipient of many expressions of

praise for his very skillful treatment of what threatened to be an intractable case of antrum disease.

Mr. H. A. Jelly has received a number of inquiries from interested persons as to his new method of soldering. For the present he withholds his secret from publicity.

Dr. Thompson visited the Dental Infirmary on last Friday afternoon, to inquire after the progress of the students in operative dentistry. The professor is an able lecturer and always brings to his lectures many valuable and practical suggestions which if followed will materially help the young practitioner from making many slips.

Mr. Lorenzo Joseph Broughton of the Senior Dental class has resigned his position in the Government Printing Office, and is devoting his undivided attention to dentistry.

It is an interesting sight to see Mr. John Alfred Moore, who stands six feet three, alongside of Mr. Richard Vermillion Barry, who has the honor of being the shortest man of the Senior Dental Class. One is reminder of the story of the giant and the pigmy.

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MAP WANTED.

GERMAN is one of the compul-
sory studies for all students of
the Scientific Department, who come
up for a degree, no matter which
course of the fourteen offered is pur-
sued, with one exception—the course
in Architecture. It therefore follows
that a large number of students take
German because required, and not a
few special students, from preference.

In the study of any language the
study of its people, their customs,
their history, and particularly their
political history is absolutely essen-
tial—is not only necessary but can
not be avoided. A good political
map, therefore, of the country whose
language a student may be studying
is a *sine quo non*.

The students in German feel the
need of such a map, and the pro-
fessor who has charge of this depart-
ment is unable upon frequent occa-
sions—it might almost be said, daily
—to bring out in the graphic and
clear manner, that is desired by him-
self and wished for by the students,
the situation of the States which
finally formed the German Empire
—the relative position of the Euro-

pean countries immediately touching
the Electorate of Brandenburg, Pom-
merania, and the far separated
westerly possessions of the the Great
Elector.

A map, a political map of Germany,
is therefore much needed by the large
number of students in German, and
an appeal is made to President Whit-
man for this chart for the German
Class room.

A Little Old Piece of Advice.

There's a little old piece of advice

Which was given me long years ago,

And so far as my knowledge extends

It is better for use than for show.

It is this—and I give it to you

To be followed *ad lib.* without fear—

"When far from the lips that you love

Make love to the lips that are near."

This piece of advice long ago

Queen Dido was guided by, when

Aeneas was given a show—

Aeneas, most pious of men.

It was true before Carthage was great,

'Tis truer with each passing year,

"When far from the lips that you love

Make love to the lips that are near."

It is easier to give good advice

Than to take it to model your living ;

But here is a piece I have found

No hardship in taking or giving.

It is old ; but like wine it grows better

With age and more potent to cheer,

"When far from the lips that you love

Make love to the lips that are near."

This maxim of old, don't forget,

Is made for the solstice of summer,

When the lips that you love are away

At the seashore (perhaps with a drum-
mer).

As the ides of September approach

From labial propinquity steer,

Or the lips that you love will raise—well

They will blister the lips that are near.

—H. W. W.

Dr. Gore's New Book.

We have just received from the
press of Ginn & Co., Boston, Wis-
senschaftliche Vortrage von Emil Du
Bois-Reymond, edited with introduc-
tion and notes by Prof. James Howard
Gore, Ph. D., of our University. This
is an important contribution to the
excellent series of modern language
text-books published by that enter-
prising firm. The lectures are world
famous, like their author, and Dr.
Gore's helpful introduction and cop-
ious, scholarly and opposite notes
leave nothing to be desired from the
standpoint of either teacher or stu-
dent. This is another evidence of
Dr. Gore's untiring industry.

It was hoped that further demand
for subscriptions to the CALL from
delinquent subscribers would be un-
necessary, but the editor here feels
obliged to appeal once more.

Society Doings.

Enosinian.

The meeting of March 6 was called
to order by Mr. C. K. Robinson, the
President elect, in the absence of the
retiring President and Vice-President
and Secretary.

Two new members were initiated,
Mr. Johnson of the Medical Depart-
ment, a brother of our famous Texas
steer of kicking propensities, and
Mr. Hayes of the Law School.

The "Bee" was then read by Miss
Ross, the newly elected first editor,
and contained, beside the editorial
and joke column, a spirited letter
from Miss Biddis on the resolutions
offered at the last meeting.

The Criticism, containing a moral
lecture upon the proceedings of the
previous meeting, was read by Miss
Ross.

Mr. Hayes, one of the new mem-
bers, delivered an extempore speech
upon the "Trouble in the Transvaal,"
showing us that we had gained a
valuable addition to the Society.

The question for debate was, Re-
solved, That the theory of evolution
is worthy of belief. The polemics
being Mr. Robinson, Mr. Parker on
the affirmative, Mr. J. S. Johnson
and Mr. L. H. Johnson, negative, the
latter having been appointed to fill
the place of Mr. Tyssowski, who was
absent. The vote on the merits of
the argument showed that the Socie-
ty's decision was in favor of the
affirmative.

There was a very warm discussion
on Mr. Barrett's motion that a chal-
lenge for a debate be presented to the
Law School, but it was finally carried
and a committee of three, consisting
of Mr. Ward, Chairman, Mr. Barrett
and Mr. Tyssowski, was appointed to
take the matter in charge.

Law School Debating Society.

The society met in the Lecture Hall
March, 7th, at the usual hour. The
president being absent, vice president
Riddleberger called the meeting to
order, but being indisposed, called
Mr. Spellman to the chair.

The question for discussion was
"Resolved, That the U. S. Navy should
be largely increased." The affirma-
tive was supported by Gray, Dalton
and Hines; the negative by Holliger,
A. M. Fulk and Marshall. Messrs.
Sullivan, Martin and Alden were
appointed judges.

By reason of the foreign complica-
tions of the government at the present
time, the question was one of much
interest, and a good sized audience

was present to hear the arguments.
Messrs. Hillyer, Mills and Sullivan,
spoke in general debate from the
floor. The addresses, both from the
platform and the floor were entertain-
ing and instructive and fully deserved
the close attention they received.
On vote on the merits of the question
the affirmative received 15, and the
negative 10 votes. The judges found
for the negative by vote of 2 to 1.

The following question was chosen
for debate on April 11th. "Resolved,
That the free and unlimited coinage
of both gold and silver at the exist-
ing ratio would be for the best inter-
ests of the country."

A challenge from Enosinian Liter-
ary Society to meet them in a public
debate, was read and after some dis-
cussion it was decided not to accept
it, as it has not been the policy of
the society to enter into debate with
any other departments of the Univer-
sity, and for further reason that time
will not permit the carrying out of
an extra public debate.

The classes then proceeded to the
selection of speakers for the fifth
public debate, which will be held on
April 4th, with following result: P.
G's., Gentsch and Able, Seniors,
Hillyer and Marshall: Juniors, Alden
and Stamper.

Mr. Fisher proposed an amendment
to the by-laws, to the effect that
each class should have two members
on the prize debate, which was read
and will be acted upon at the next
business meeting.

Medical Class Meeting.

The regular monthly class meeting
was held at 7:30 on Tuesday, the
3d instant. The executive committee
reported an estimate for the expenses
of the annual commencement, with
recommendations, fixing the amount
of class dues, and asking authority
to incur the necessary expenses for
the commencement, said expenses
being estimated at \$274.

Mr. H. W. Smith, as a member of
the class and not in his official ca-
pacity as a member of the executive
committee, submitted the following
amendment to the report:

"It is expressly provided that every
member of the class, not a member
of the graduating class, who has paid
or shall pay class dues on or before
April 1st, 1896, shall, upon applica-
tion to the executive committee, be
entitled to receive five invitations
and two reserved seat tickets for the
commencement; it being further pro-
vided that the executive committee
shall make such distribution of invi-
tations and reserved seat tickets to
the faculty and the members of the

graduating class as the exigencies of the case will permit."

The chair ruled the amendment not in order. Mr. Smith then appealed from the decision of the chair, but the decision was sustained by the vote of the class. The report of the executive committee was adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

It is believed by many that the class was not fully cognizant for what it was voting, or the nature of the amendment proposed by Mr. Smith, when it sustained the decision of the chair, as stated above. At least it is to be hoped they did not. It is a marvel and a wonder to us that there is any hesitancy in adopting a measure which has for its purpose the giving of some appreciable equivalent for belonging to the class organization.

This organization comprises, roughly speaking, about one-half of the medical students. The other half are either indifferent or doubtful of any good to be derived from joining, except that they can have four years in which to pay about eleven dollars for commencement exercises. And, if there is not more class feeling, looking out for class interests and seeing that members of the organization receive some benefits over and above outsiders, we will no doubt gradually degenerate into an easy payment association, having for its paramount aim and object the payment of graduating expenses on the installment plan. This mercenary part is not the intent of the class organization, and it will be a day of regret for the medical department should this condition of affairs ever come about.

The Lafayette Square Theatre has been selected for the place of holding the commencement exercises. It contains, altogether over 1,400 seats, about 500 being on the first floor, excluding the boxes. If two reserved seats are given to each member of the class organization, outside of the graduating class, it would be about 200 seats, leaving 300 seats for the graduating class and faculty. Suppose the faculty is able to make use of 100, that leaves 200 for the graduating class, which will consist of about 16 persons. Last year the members of the graduating class received six tickets apiece, and we do not remember hearing any gnashing of teeth.

Why this opposition then to receiving more than what was received last year and at the same time allowing their fellow members of the class organization a chance to attend the

commencement exercises of the school to which they belong?

If there was more interest taken in the organization it could be made a very influential factor in the school; but it will arouse interest of only a negative nature if the members are obliged to take their chances of attending the commencement exercises for which they are taxed.

There appears to be a disposition to place the members of the class on an equal footing, and with no more rights than the great crowd of the curious who always attend such exercises, because there are good speakers, good music and free admission, and who have not the slightest personal interest in the welfare of our school. Let them come, the more the better, but let the members of the class organization and their friends come first, and then allow the multitude of people to throng the theatre to overflowing, to become inspired, delighted and enthusiastic over the eloquent speeches and beautiful music which always characterize the commencement exercises of the medical department of the Columbian University.

Free Lectures.

The following lectures of the course that are being delivered in the University Hall, remain. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Professor Lee Davis Lodge, Civilization: Organic History, March 20.

Professor William Ordway Partridge, The Uppergrowth of Art, March 27.

President B. L. Whitman, Civilization Mirrored in Literature, April 3.

PRACTICAL LESSONS OF HISTORY.

Doctor W. T. Harris, 1. Savage Tribes, China, India and Buddhism, March 11.

2. Persia, Egypt, Syria and Judea, March 18.

3. Greece, March 25.

4. Rome, April 1.

5. The Crusades and the Struggle of Christianity against Pantheism, April 18.

6. The Age of Revolution and of Local Self-Government, April 15.

Art (under the auspices of Columbian College).

Professor William Ordway Partridge, topics to be announced later.

To Study St. John.

A class has been organized by Dr. Lee Davis Lodge for the study of the Gospel of John. The students of all the departments of this University, together with their friends are cordially invited to join. No sectarian discussions will be entered upon. The method of study will be historical, instructive and comparative. The class began on Sunday, March 1, with a large attendance. Many more are expected on this Sunday. The meeting begins at 3:45 P. M.

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A Constitution Adopted—A Shy for Mott Haven—Well! The Board of Trustees Is a Dandy—A Go With Gallaudet—Dr. Montague Does a Trick or Two in Finance.

THE last week was one of great activity among the athletically inclined students of the University. A number of committees have been at work drawing up a constitution and preparing the plans to consolidate all sports under one head. The track team began work in the C. A. C. gymnasium under Captain Cabrera, Thursday. The baseball team has been working steadily at the University grounds all the week, and are getting in fairly good shape.

OUR ENTRANCE IN THE INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION.

Of course, the most noteworthy incident of the year was the entrance of the University into the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association at its annual meeting in New York two weeks ago. To Mr. W. K. Ward, the manager of the track athletes, is due the credit of securing our admission. He went to New York to the meeting and secured for Columbian what was most needed for its growth along the lines we are desiring. Also to Mr. Douglass, of Georgetown, is the University deeply indebted. Mr. Douglass has at all times been counted by us as among our warmest friends, and now that he has helped us in this matter, we should do something to show our appreciation of his friendship.

HERE'S TO THE BOARD.

It will be a constant source of congratulation with every one that has the success of the University at heart to know that the Board of Trustees, at their regular quarterly meeting on Wednesday, appropriated the sum of \$150 toward the rent of the grounds now used by the baseball team. This amount was secured through the interest

of Dr. Whitman, who is always at the front of every move that will advance the name of Columbian. Shows how much he thinks of athletics.

Speaking of the appropriation yesterday, Mr. Robt. S. Barrett, the manager of the baseball team, said: "In my opinion it is the grandest piece of work the Board has ever done, for I believe in giving us this money they have touched the keynote of athletic success, and put their seal of approval on our work. We feel a deep sense of obligation to them and will more than ever strive to show what, with proper support, we can do."

THE GAMES WITH GALLAUDET.

The baseball team has secured a series of three practice games with Gallaudet College, the first to be played this afternoon at Capitol Park at 3 p. m. Captain Greene will present the following team:

Beard and Cummings, p.; Fugitt, c.; Greene, 1st b.; Mills, 2d b.; Dalzell, 3rd b.; Beall, s. s.; Goodfellow, r. f.; Shaw, c. f.; C. Fugitt or Butts, l. f.

The second game will be played at Kendall Green, March 18, and the third at Capitol Park March 21. A small admission fee will be charged. Parker, Bridget & Co., of this city, have secured the contract for outfitting the team, and will immediately begin work on the uniforms, which will be the same color as those of last year.

IN THE C. A. C. GYMNASIUM.

Captain Charles F. Cabrera, with about twenty men, went into the C. A. C. Gymnasium in the early part of last week and began regular training. The plans of the Track Athletic Association are not quite formed yet, so nothing definite can be found. However, the general plan is to have a field day here in the early part of May, and probably also dual sports with Georgetown. Then what men as are found competent will be sent to Mott Haven to represent the University in the Inter-Collegiate games.

DR. MONTAGUE RAISES MONEY.

Dr. A. P. Montague, the Chairman of the University Committee on Athletics, has been sending letters to all the overseers and prominent alumni of the University asking for contributions. Up to this time a number of remittances have been received. Dr. Montague is greatly interested in athletics, and is admirably suited for the position which he fills, for like all the work he undertakes, he puts his whole soul in it and makes it a success.

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THERE will be one of the most unique entertainments ever given in Washington next week, when the swell set at the Capital will give a bicycle fete for the benefit of the Home for Incurables. The most interesting feature about this contest is that it is not a professional but a society event, at which all the beaux and belles of the town will be present.

At Columbia Field, just about two blocks from the White House, is a square used as a bicycle park. The house in it, a fine square frame mansion, is falling into decay, and is now used as quarters for the fashionables, who come to learn the "bike."

It is here that the fete will take place on March 21st at 2:30 p. m., and it will be the scene of the gayest society circus ever shown in one ring. In the grounds is a large ring of dirt, and all around it run high banks of earth, which make the place resemble the sawdust arena at Barnum's. The contests will be entered only by the swells of the city—no one not in the official Four Hundred will be permitted to intrude their plebeian noses within the sacred precincts.

The carnival will open with a parade by the contestants, who will ride around the ring on gayly decorated wheels. After the procession there will be a military drill, in which the evolution of the soldiers will be directed by an Army officer.

An egg-and-spoon race will be followed by races in which some obstacle will be placed in the path. The rider must dismount, lift his wheel over and run on to the goal. The ladies say that they have not decided that they will race, but the impression is that they are keeping the fact secret and will do so on the day set.

The patronesses are the highest ladies in town. Among them are Mrs. Olney, wife of the Secretary of State; Mrs. Carlisle, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury; Lady Paunceforte, wife of the British Ambassador; Miss Herbert, daughter of the Secretary of the Navy, and other fashionables. Lady Paunceforte has taken twenty seats at \$1 each. The seats will be arranged around the area,

just as in a circus, and will hold a great number of people. There will be handsomely decorated boxes, and the rich ladies have taken these for parties. After the contest tea will be served in the rooms of the old mansion.

Washington devotees of wheeling are among the most ultra-fashionables. There are three girls in the family of the British Ambassador. They are fine "bikers," and will probably be among the riders at the fete. Senator Brice's girls, Miss Kate and Miss Helen, are experts. It was announced last spring that they would spend the summer wheeling through some European country. Mrs. Carlisle rides, but will never venture out into the street without an attendant. Miss Mary Sheridan, daughter of "Little Phil," is a clever rider, while Phil is daily seen scudding about the streets.

Mrs. Olney is just mastering the wheel, but Miss Herbert is already quite proficient. Miss Rusk, daughter of Harrison's Secretary of Agriculture, will take part in the fete, and so will Mrs. Westinghouse, wife of the wealthy inventor of the famous brake.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles and his young son, Sherman, are both expert riders. Prof. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institution, who is laboring on a flying machine, destined to astonish the world, courses about town on a bike. Mrs. Wilson, wife of the Postmaster-General, is learning to master the machine, and so also is Mrs. Stewart, wife of the Senator from Nevada.

Secretary Smith's little son, Marion, has abandoned his pony for the wheel, and the two daughters of Attorney-General Harmon are wheelwomen. Miss Cameron, daughter of the Senator from Pennsylvania, rides gracefully, and so does Miss Talmage, daughter of the famous preacher. Senator Murphy's daughters ride, so do Justice White, of the Supreme Court, and his wife, and Miss Alice Belknap, daughter of Gen. Grant's Cabinet officer.

The Minister from Spain, who now has his hands full of diplomatic affairs, has lately acquired the art, and his two little boys will begin to ride as soon as the weather gets warmer. Mr. Kurino, the Minister from Japan, can wheel as if "to the manner born," while in the Chinese Legation the youngest Secretary, Mr. Sze, scuds about on a machine, his gaily colored robes flaunting in the wind.

The son of Baron Fava, who is an architect, is a wheelman, and so is Bax-Ironsides, of the British Lega-

tion. The Minister from Turkey, little Mavroyeni Bey, or "Mavy," as he is called, will be at the carnival. Mr. Gana, the Minister from Chili, may also be expected to be present with his whole family, as all have been taking lessons of late. Congressman Cannon is an expert, but has developed an irrepressible fondness for taking a turn at curbstones and tree-boxes. Tom Reed—big Tom—with his huge avoirdupois, came to the school and took a lesson, but gave it up as too hard work, for he now walks daily to the Capitol. His daughter, Miss Reed, rides a great deal.

It is estimated that there will be 400 riders in line, all of them tip-top social swells, members of the Diplomatic Corps, the Cabinet and wealthy residents. This cycle contest is the first of its kind in the country and will spread to Newport and other exclusive watering places. —*New York World.*

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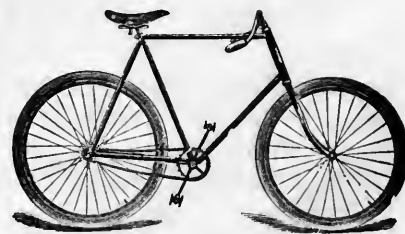
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Scientific Department.

It is to be regretted that the announcement can not be made of an improvement in the condition of Professor Fava, whose serious illness has prevented his attendance at the University for the past month.

The instruction of Prof. Fava's classes has been divided between Profs. Freihold and Farnell, the former taking charge of Graphics, Statics, Elementary Mechanics and Engineering Topics in applied Mathematics, and the latter of descriptive Geometry.

The attention of all students of the scientific school is invited to the meeting of the students of their department on Saturday next, the 21st instant, at 8:45 P. M., in the post graduate rooms.

The meeting is to be an important one and all students of the scientific school are appealed to, to be present as this will probably be the only opportunity for meeting this scholastic year, prior to the last meeting immediately before commencement.

The questions to be submitted to the students for their action are of importance to every individual of the scientific school—an appeal to the faculty for a radical modification from the heretofore policy of the whole University in the manner of holding the commencement exercises—in other words, it is proposed to submit to the students the question of advisability of requesting the faculty to cause the commencement exercises of the several departments of the University, or so many of them as may seem to them best, to be held conjointly.

Another question of no less importance and equally as far reaching, in that it effects every student in the scientific school, and a question, too, in which not a few professors have evinced no little interest, is that of better illumination facilities.

The light in most class rooms is notoriously abominable—and the only method by which this evil can be corrected is a concerted appeal on the part of those most effected—the members of the scientific school—to the University.

The whole time required for a proper discussion of these two important questions, including the drafting of a memorial to the faculty, should not occupy over one hour as a maximum, and it is hoped that students will evince sufficient interest in their school to be present and make known their wishes in the matter. Without a representative number of members of the scientific school present but little can be expected in the way of favorable action on the part of the University.

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Theatre Talk.

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Frank Daniels, as Kibosh, the tramp magician, who makes all the trouble and the fun in "The Wizard of the Nile," is said by the *New York Sun* to be funnier than Francis Wilson, De Wolf Hopper and Seabrooke rolled into one.

But one matinee will be given, on Saturday, and at this, to commemorate the first Washington appearance of Frank Daniels as a star, the management will present to each lady occupying a reserved seat, a beautiful souvenir, a bronze finish, bas relief, dancing figure of Mr. Daniels in his famous character of Kibosh, the magician.

Academy of Music.

One of the theatrical novelties of the present season will be the first production here, at the Academy of Music, for one week, beginning March 16, of the six act melo-drama by E. M. Alfriend and A. C. Wheele, "The Great Diamond Robbery." Its wonderful success in New York ranks it among the best of modern melo-dramas. It deals entrily with local types of political and social life, and introduces as an important role the political boss of a familiar local school. The story is of a great crime, and the developements which fasten the guilt of it upon the hero, are interwoven with the political intrigues of the boss and his gang,

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